

Washington Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System

2003 Tobacco Survey Results

Asian / Pacific Islander

What is your age?

n = 259

18 - 34	47.6%	(± 8.0%)
35 - 54	41.7	(± 7.6)
55 - 74	8.6	(± 3.3)
75+	2.0	(± 1.6)

Gender

n = 259

Male	52.9%	(± 7.8%)
Female	47.1	(± 7.8)

Which one of these groups would you say best represents your race...

n = 259

White	0.0%	(± 0.0%)
Black or African American	0.0	(± 0.0)
Asian	73.5	(± 7.4)
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	26.5	(± 7.4)
American Indian, Alaska Native	0.0	(± 0.0)
Other race	0.0	(± 0.0)
No preferred race	0.0	(± 0.0)

Are you Hispanic or Latino/Latina?

n = 259

Yes	2.1%	(± 1.6%)
No	97.9	(± 1.6)

Marital status

n = 258

Married	55.4%	(± 8.1%)
Divorced	5.7	(± 2.6)
Widowed	2.2	(± 1.4)
Separated	0.5	(± 0.5)
Never been married	32.0	(± 8.4)
Or a member of an unmarried couple	4.3	(± 3.1)

How many children less than 18 years of age live in your household?

n = 259

None	49.3%	(± 8.0%)
1	25.6	(± 7.1)
2	19.0	(± 5.6)
3 or more	6.2	(± 3.2)

What is the highest grade or year of school you completed?

n = 258

Some high school or less	6.5%	(± 4.1%)
High school graduate or GED	23.1	(± 7.1)
Some college or technical school	29.6	(± 7.7)
College graduate or more	40.8	(± 7.5)

Estimates based on sample sizes less than 50 were omitted.

Are you currently. . .	n = 257	
Employed for wages	58.1%	(± 7.8%)
Self-employed	5.4	(± 2.8)
Out of work	8.6	(± 5.1)
Homemaker	10.1	(± 4.1)
Student	9.8	(± 5.0)
Retired	5.9	(± 2.7)
Or unable to work	2.1	(± 2.3)

Annual household income from all sources	n = 215	
Less than \$20,000	11.7%	(± 4.6%)
\$20,000 to less than \$50,000	45.7	(± 8.9)
\$50,000 or more	42.5	(± 8.3)

Have you smoked at least 100 cigarettes in your entire life?	n = 453	
Yes	31.4%	(± 5.4%)
No	68.7	(± 5.4)

<i>Among those that have smoked at least 100 cigarettes in their entire life:</i>		
Do you now smoke cigarettes everyday, some days, or not at all?	n = 153	
Everyday	32.7%	(± 9.3%)
Some days	25.3	(± 11.3)
Not at all	42.0	(± 9.7)

<i>Among current smokers:</i>		
During the past 12 months, have you stopped smoking for 1 day or longer because you were trying to quit smoking?	n = 73	
Yes	58.6%	(± 15.9%)
No	41.4	(± 15.9)

Current cigarette smoking prevalence:	n = 453	
(every day or some day smokers among the whole population)	18.2%	(± 5.0%)

<i>Among those that have smoked at least 100 cigarettes:</i>		
Did you smoke any cigarettes during the past 30 days?	n = 87	
Yes	56.9%	(± 14.3%)
No	43.1	(± 14.3)

<i>Among those that have smoked in the past 30 days:</i>		
On how many days of the past 30 days did you smoke cigarettes?	n = 43	
Less than 30 days	*	*
30 days	*	*

<i>Among those that have smoked in the past 30 days:</i>		
On average, about how many cigarettes per day do you smoke, on the days that you do smoke?	n = 43	
Average:	*	*

Estimates based on sample sizes less than 50 were omitted.

Have you ever tried using smokeless tobacco, like chew, dip or snuff?	n = 250	
Yes	9.4%	(± 4.2%)
No	90.6	(± 4.2)

Among those that have ever tried smokeless tobacco:

On how many of the past 30 days did you use smokeless tobacco products?	n = 25	
None	*	*
Less than 30 days	*	*
30 days	*	*

Current smokeless tobacco prevalence:	n = 250	
(any use in past 30 days among the whole population)	1.5%	(± 1.5%)

Do you currently smoke tobacco in a pipe?	n = 250	
Yes	1.9%	(± 2.3%)
No	98.1	(± 2.3)

In the past month, have you smoked a cigar, even just a puff?	n = 249	
Yes	3.8%	(± 2.6%)
No	96.2	(± 2.6)

In the past month, have you smoked bidis?	n = 249	
Yes	0.3%	(± 0.5%)
No	99.7	(± 0.5)

In the past month, have you smoked clove cigarettes?	n = 248	
Yes	2.5%	(± 3.0%)
No	97.5	(± 3.0)

Current tobacco use (all types of tobacco)	n = 250	
Current daily tobacco user	21.5%	(± 6.6%)
Current non-tobacco user	78.5	(± 6.6)

Among former smokers:

About how long has it been since you last smoked cigarettes regularly, that is, daily?	n = 45	
Within the past month (less than 1 month ago)	*	*
Within the past 3 months (1-3 months ago)	*	*
Within the past 6 months (3-6 months ago)	*	*
Within the past year (6-12 months ago)	*	*
Within the past 5 years (1-5 years ago)	*	*
Within the past 15 years (5-15 years ago)	*	*
More than 15 years ago	*	*
Never used regularly	*	*

Estimates based on sample sizes less than 50 were omitted.

Among former smokers:

When you last smoked cigarettes regularly, on average, how many cigarettes did you smoke per day? n = 38

Average: * *

Among current tobacco users:

In the past month, did you buy tobacco on a Native American reservation? n = 50

Yes	16.4%	(± 10.8%)
No	83.6	(± 10.8)

Among current tobacco users:

In the past month, did you buy tobacco from the Internet? n = 50

Yes	0.0%	(± 0.0%)
No	100.0	(± 0.0)

Among current tobacco users:

During the past month, did you buy tobacco outside the state to save money - not just because you were traveling? n = 49

Yes	*	*
No	*	*

Among current/former tobacco users:

People close to me are/were upset by my using tobacco. n = 88

Strongly agree	46.5%	(± 13.2%)
Somewhat agree	24.3	(± 11.4)
Somewhat disagree	16.2	(± 8.9)
Strongly disagree	13.0	(± 7.6)

Among current/former tobacco users:

When was the last time a family member or friend advised you to quit, if ever? n = 85

Within the past year (1-12 months)	55.2%	(± 12.7%)
Within the past three years (1-3 years)	2.2	(± 4.1)
3 or more years ago	14.5	(± 8.8)
They never advised me to quit	28.1	(± 10.9)

Among current/former tobacco users:

When was the last time a DOCTOR or other healthcare provider advised you to quit, if ever? n = 89

Within the past year (1-12 months)	23.6%	(± 10.9%)
Within the past three years (1-3 years)	12.6	(± 8.8)
3 or more years ago	9.1	(± 5.8)
They never advised me to quit	54.7	(± 12.9)

Among current/former tobacco users:

When was the last time a DENTIST advised you to quit, if ever?	n = 89	
Within the past year (1-12 months)	14.6%	(± 9.0%)
Within the past three years (1-3 years)	2.9	(± 3.3)
3 or more years ago	10.0	(± 6.4)
They never advised me to quit	72.5	(± 10.9)

Among those advised to quit:

Did the health care professional who advised to quit offer any help, or refer you to a source of help to quit tobacco use?	n = 51	
Yes	49.4%	(± 16.6%)
No	50.6	(± 16.6)

Among current/former tobacco users:

How many times in your life have you seriously tried to quit using tobacco?	n = 77	
0	17.5%	(± 10.1%)
1-2	42.6	(± 13.5)
3-5	17.7	(± 10.3)
6 or more	22.3	(± 14.3)

**About how long has it been since you last visited a DOCTOR for a routine
checkup?**

n = 245

Within the past year (1-12 months ago)	71.4%	(± 7.1%)
Within the past two years (1-2 years ago)	14.6	(± 5.7)
Within the past 3 years (2-3 years ago)	6.4	(± 3.7)
Within the past 5 years (3-5 years ago)	3.8	(± 2.6)
5 or more years ago	1.4	(± 1.3)
Never	2.3	(± 2.1)

**What type of health coverage do you use to pay for most of your medical care? Is
it coverage through. . .**

n = 214

Your employer	42.5%	(± 8.6%)
Someone else's employer	22.3	(± 7.0)
A plan that you or someone buys on your own	11.1	(± 5.8)
Medicare	7.6	(± 5.2)
Medicaid or Medical Assistance	1.8	(± 2.3)
The military, CHAMPUS, or the VA	12.7	(± 7.6)
The Indian Health Service	0.0	(± 0.0)
Some other source	1.9	(± 2.5)

Among current and recent former smokers:

**Within the past year, have you heard about any programs in your community to
help you quit using tobacco, such as classes, support groups or counseling
services?**

n = 45

Yes	*	*
No	*	*

Among current and recent former smokers:

Within the past year, did you participate in any kind of program, class or group to help you quit using tobacco? n = 48

Yes	*	*
No	*	*

Among current and recent former smokers with health care coverage:

Does your health care insurance coverage pay for the cost of any help to quit using tobacco, such as a stop-smoking program or nicotine patches, pills or other medications? n = 34

Yes	*	*
No	*	*
Don't know/Not sure	*	*

Among current and recent former smokers:

During the past year, did you use nicotine patches, pills or other medication to help you quit using tobacco? n = 48

Yes	*	*
No	*	*

Among current and recent former smokers:

Have you heard about the Washington State "Quit-Line" - a telephone support service to help people quit using tobacco? n = 46

Yes	*	*
No	*	*

Among current and recent former smokers who have heard of the "Quit-Line":

Have you called the Quit line? n = 19

Yes	*	*
No	*	*

Among current tobacco users:

Would you like to quit using tobacco? n = 49

Yes	*	*
No	*	*

Among current tobacco users who would like to quit:

Are you seriously considering quitting tobacco use within the next 6 months? n = 34

Yes	*	*
No	*	*

Among current tobacco users considering quitting within 6 months:

Are you planning to stop within the next 30 days? n = 29

Yes	*	*
No	*	*
Don't know/Not sure	*	*

Are you currently registered to vote?	n = 246	
Yes	59.5%	(± 8.1%)
No	40.5	(± 8.1)

Which of the following statements best describes the rules about smoking in your home. . .	n = 246	
No one is allowed to smoke anywhere inside your home	83.9%	(± 7.2%)
Smoking is allowed at some places or at some times	8.3	(± 5.9)
Smoking is permitted anywhere inside your home	7.8	(± 5.0)

How many people, including you, who live in your household currently smoke cigarettes, cigars, or pipes?	n = 247	
No current smokers in household	62.2%	(± 8.4%)
1	22.3	(± 7.5)
2	12.1	(± 5.6)
3 or more	3.4	(± 3.9)

On how many of the past 30 days has someone, including you, smoked cigarettes, cigars, or pipes anywhere inside your home?	n = 247	
None	89.8%	(± 4.7%)
Less than 30	4.6	(± 3.2)
30 days	5.6	(± 3.6)

If it were just up to you, would you let people smoke inside your home?	n = 248	
Yes	7.6%	(± 3.4%)
No	92.4	(± 3.4)

Among people who are currently employed for wages:

When you are at work, do you spend most of your time in an. . .	n = 153	
Office	42.4%	(± 9.9%)
Store	13.1	(± 8.5)
Restaurant or Bar	10.7	(± 8.4)
Warehouse or factory	8.7	(± 6.8)
Home/Someone elses home	5.2	(± 4.5)
Outdoors	8.1	(± 5.5)
Car or truck	1.3	(± 1.3)
Classroom	2.5	(± 2.4)
Hospital	5.6	(± 4.7)
Somewhere else	2.3	(± 2.3)

Among people who are currently employed for wages:

Is smoking allowed in any of the following areas at your workplace. . . Some or all indoor work areas?	n = 153	
Yes	3.6%	(± 2.9%)
No	96.4	(± 2.9)

Among people who are currently employed for wages:

Is smoking allowed in any of the following areas at your workplace. . . Employee lunchrooms or lounges? n = 152

Yes	2.1%	(± 2.2%)
No	97.9	(± 2.2)

Among people who are currently employed for wages:

Is smoking allowed in any of the following areas at your workplace. . . A different designated indoor smoking area? n = 152

Yes	5.8%	(± 7.6%)
No	94.2	(± 7.6)

Among people who are currently employed for wages:

In a typical week, how many hours would you say that you are in a room or car with secondhand smoke while you are at work? n = 151

None	82.2%	(± 7.7%)
Less than one hour	8.9	(± 5.1)
One hour or more	8.8	(± 6.2)

In general, would you say that breathing secondhand smoke is. . . n = 241

Not at all annoying to you	9.0%	(± 4.5%)
A little bit annoying	14.1	(± 5.5)
Somewhat annoying	15.9	(± 5.7)
Very annoying to you	61.0	(± 7.9)

Would you say that breathing secondhand smoke is. . . n = 238

Not at all harmful	1.2%	(± 1.5%)
A little bit harmful	7.9	(± 5.5)
Somewhat harmful	16.7	(± 5.2)
Very harmful	74.2	(± 7.0)

All people should be protected from secondhand smoke. n = 240

Strongly agree	69.5%	(± 7.8%)
Somewhat agree	22.8	(± 7.1)
Somewhat disagree	5.6	(± 4.5)
Strongly disagree	2.1	(± 1.9)

All children should be protected from secondhand smoke. n = 244

Strongly agree	94.2%	(± 3.2%)
Somewhat agree	4.8	(± 3.0)
Somewhat disagree	0.5	(± 0.8)
Strongly disagree	0.5	(± 0.7)

Do you think that smoking should be completely banned in restaurants? n = 246

Yes	78.4%	(± 6.7%)
No	18.0	(± 6.4)
Don't know/Not sure	3.6	(± 2.6)

Do you think that smoking should be completely banned in bars and lounges?		n = 243
Yes	46.4%	(± 8.3%)
No	44.8	(± 8.3)
Don't know/Not sure	8.8	(± 4.2)

Do you think that smoking should be completely banned in outdoor public areas where children may be present?		n = 244
Yes	66.7%	(± 8.3%)
No	31.5	(± 8.3)
Don't know/Not sure	1.8	(± 1.9)

Local law enforcement officials should place a high priority on enforcing laws that ban the possession of tobacco products by minors.		n = 234
Strongly agree	61.4%	(± 8.2%)
Somewhat agree	23.8	(± 7.1)
Somewhat disagree	9.2	(± 4.2)
Strongly disagree	5.6	(± 4.4)

The city or town where you live should establish as many strong rules and laws as possible to protect nonsmokers, including children, from secondhand smoke.		n = 240
Strongly agree	64.2%	(± 8.0%)
Somewhat agree	25.3	(± 7.4)
Somewhat disagree	7.1	(± 4.5)
Strongly disagree	3.5	(± 2.3)

School officials should make sure that all children receive anti-tobacco education.		n = 242
Strongly agree	85.8%	(± 6.1%)
Somewhat agree	10.2	(± 5.7)
Somewhat disagree	2.1	(± 1.8)
Strongly disagree	2.0	(± 1.8)

Tobacco use by adults should not be allowed on school grounds or at any school events.		n = 241
Strongly agree	87.7%	(± 5.9%)
Somewhat agree	7.1	(± 4.0)
Somewhat disagree	1.7	(± 1.7)
Strongly disagree	3.5	(± 4.4)

Have you seen or heard about any efforts or activities in your community or in schools to prevent or reduce tobacco use among youth?		n = 234
Yes	39.3%	(± 8.3%)
No	60.7	(± 8.3)

Estimates based on sample sizes less than 50 were omitted.

Among people who have seen or heard of community efforts/activities:

Have you participated in any efforts or activities in your community or in schools to help reduce tobacco use among youth? n = 100

Yes	17.5%	(± 10.6%)
No	82.5	(± 10.6)

Among people who have seen or heard of community efforts/activities:

To your knowledge, has there been a local anti-tobacco or anti-smoking organization working in your community over the past few years? n = 102

Yes	32.7%	(± 13.3%)
No	46.5	(± 12.6)
Don't know/Not sure	20.8	(± 9.2)

Among people who know of anti-tobacco organizations in their community:

Do you approve of what this local organization is doing to prevent tobacco use and help people quit? n = 29

Definitely yes	*	*
Probably yes	*	*
Probably no	*	*
Definitely no	*	*

There are more negative things than positive things about smoking. n = 235

Strongly agree	82.2%	(± 7.6%)
Somewhat agree	14.3	(± 7.3)
Somewhat disagree	1.9	(± 2.6)
Strongly disagree	1.6	(± 1.6)

Smoking sometimes makes a person more attractive. n = 241

Strongly agree	3.1%	(± 3.8%)
Somewhat agree	4.0	(± 2.8)
Somewhat disagree	7.1	(± 4.0)
Strongly disagree	85.8	(± 5.9)

There are so many things that cause cancer, tobacco use is not going to make any difference. n = 234

Strongly agree	15.9%	(± 6.7%)
Somewhat agree	6.5	(± 3.7)
Somewhat disagree	9.0	(± 5.0)
Strongly disagree	68.7	(± 8.0)

Would you ever use or wear something that has a tobacco company logo or picture on it? n = 231

Yes	12.5%	(± 5.8%)
No	87.5	(± 5.8)

Do you currently have a piece of clothing, or other item that has a tobacco brand or logo on it?	n = 243	
Yes	6.8%	(± 3.8%)
No	93.2	(± 3.8)

During the past year, have you received a free sample or coupon for a free sample of cigarettes or other tobacco products?	n = 244	
Yes	14.9%	(± 6.6%)
No	85.1	(± 6.6)

During the past year have you been somewhere, such as concert or special event, where tobacco companies were having a promotion - for example, giving away free samples or having a special give-away?	n = 244	
Yes	6.0%	(± 3.3%)
No	94.0	(± 3.3)

Tobacco companies should have the same rights to advertise their products as other companies.	n = 235	
Strongly agree	11.7%	(± 5.0%)
Somewhat agree	39.6	(± 8.1)
Somewhat disagree	11.8	(± 5.5)
Strongly disagree	36.8	(± 8.2)

Among people with children ages 12 to 17:

Which of the following best describes the way you have discussed the dangers of tobacco use with your child. . .	n = 39	
We have talked about the dangers of tobacco use many times	*	*
We have had at least one conversation that I can remember	*	*
I don't remember a specific conversation, but my child knows how I feel	*	*
For now, I have not talked with my child about the dangers of tobacco use	*	*

Among people with children ages 12 to 17:

Have you told your child specifically that you do not want him or her to use tobacco?	n = 38	
Yes	*	*
No	*	*